



## Urban Forestry Days 23-24 March 2021

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# Programme

## Tuesday March 23rd

### Integrated Urban Forest Management hosted by the European Forest Institute

9.00-9.20 (CET)

#### Welcome Session

9.20-10.20

#### Keynote session 1: The urban area and sustainability transition

1. *Cities and Sustainable Transitions: making space for nature-based solutions* – Harriet Bulkeley (Durham University)
2. *Bio-cities for a resilient future: research gaps and action* – Jerylee Wilkes-Allemann (Bern University of Applied Sciences) & Giuseppe Scarascia-Mugnozza (University of Tuscia)

10.40-11.40

#### Keynote session 2: Urban forestry and the pillars of sustainability

1. *Brave New World – on the pathways for global urban forestry* – Cecil Konijnendijk van den Bosch (NBS Institute) & Tahia Devisscher (University of British Columbia)
2. *Where do urban forests go? Aspects of Climate change and its impacts on shape, diversity and usage of urban forests in Europe* – Dagmar Haase (HU Berlin)
3. *Urban forests for societies* – Rik De Vreese (European Forest Institute) & Dennis Roitsch (European Forest Institute)
4. *Growing the Future: Wood in Buildings* – Michael Ramage (University of Cambridge)

12.00-13:00

#### The importance of urban forests for sustainable cities

Panel discussion with leading representatives covering different regions in Europe and beyond

### LUNCH

14.00-15.30

#### Virtual fieldtrip in the afternoon "Forests as critical infrastructure? Integrated Forest Management and recreation for forests and people"

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## Wednesday March 24th

**Urban Forests as Health Infrastructure**  
hosted by the CLEARING HOUSE project

**9.00-10.15**

**Session 1: What does the Public Health Science tell us on forests as health infrastructure**

**10:30-11.45**

**Session 2: Forests and urban green spaces in pandemic times**

1. *Managing our forests to strengthen their public health outcomes* - Liisa Tyrvaïnen (Natural Resources Institute Finland)
2. *Changes in urban forest use and attitudes towards urban forest during the COVID-19 lockdown* – Nic da Schio (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) and Jakob Derks (European Forest Institute)
3. *Urban parks amidst COVID pandemic* – Wendy Chen (University of Hong Kong)

**12:00-12.30**

**Session 3: Launch of the European Forum on Urban Forestry semester**

1. *Introducing EFUF.app* - Clemence Dirac-Ramohavelo (Federal Office for the Environment, Switzerland)
2. *Insight of things ahead and Call for additional events and activities* - Bianca Wyss-Baerlocher (Urban Green Polylogue)
3. *Introducing the "Urban Forestry for a resilient future" webinars (4th - 6th May 2021)* - Pete Stringer (Manchester City of Trees)

**LUNCH**

**13:30-14.00**

**Glimpsing through the trees - round of introductions to projects on urban green space, trees, human health and well-being?**

**14:00-15.00**

**Video Poster Session. Research and Practice and Perspectives on Integrated Forest Management and Urban Forestry**

Contributions by young researchers and practitioners

\*changes to the programme might be inevitable